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Respectfully submitted,

Highlands, New Jersey.

CAROLINE COVENTRY HAYNES.

SULLIVANT MOSS SOCIETY NOTES.

The friends of Dr. Grout will be pleased to learned that he has been promoted to be First Assistant in Curtis High School on Staten Island. His address in future will be New Dorp, Richmond Co., New York.

Since the reports and list of Society members were in type two more names have been sent in making our membership on January 1st total 186—Mr. S. L. Schumo, S. W. Corner 22d and Poplar streets, Philadelphia, Pa. and Mr. W. Ralph Jones, 863 Harlem ave., Baltimore, Md.

To the Members of the Sullivant Moss Society:

Dear Friends and Associates: This letter is written merely to clear up some misapprehensions and to give you a chance to express your opinion.

As many of you know, I took a prominent part in the organization of the Chapter and still retain a very active interest in its work though others are officiating, as I hoped would be the case when the Chapter was started. The Sullivant Moss Chapter was founded following the example of the Linnaean Fern Chapter of which I was an early member.

When the Agassiz Association suspended active work some years ago the Fern Chapter changed its name, and the Moss Chapter severed all relations with the A. A. but decided not to change its name thinking it immaterial or unnecessary. The severance of the Sullivant Moss Chapter from the A. A. was by unanimous consent of the executive committee, as it was thought no vote would be necessary to sever a growing stolon from the apparently defunct parent stem. Since the Agassiz Association has been revived or recreated some misapprehension has arisen. While we all wish the new movement success it is possible that a change of name to The Sullivant Moss Society would be advisable for us.

Let us have the benefit of your opinion on this question.

Respectfully submitted,

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November 30, 1908.

Richmond Co., New York.

Obituary.—Mr. Alvah A. Eaton died at North Easton, Mass. on September 29th (1908), aged 43 years. He was the author of numerous papers on the Pteridophyta and contributed the treatment of *Equisetum* and *Isotes* to the recently published "Gray's New Manual of Botany," seventh edition. For the past six years he had been collector and assistant to Mr. Oakes Ames of the Ames Botanical Laboratory at North Easton, and in this connection made several expeditions to Florida. He was a charter member of the Sullivant Moss Society and always interested in its work.

Mrs. Amelia F. Eby died very unexpectedly on March 4th (1908) at her home in Lancaster, Pa. Her son writes under recent date: "Mother was born March 24, 1831, was a country girl raised on the farm, and was a student of botany from her girlhood days. She was one of the pioneer women school teachers, teaching school in 1848; she had all the works on botany that were obtainable at that time and collected a considerable herbarium. She dropped the work but never lost interest in botanical study. In 1882 she took it up with renewed vigor and continued till the time of her death. Her collection was made all over the country where ever she had the good fortune to go."

Mrs. Eby was an early member of our Sullivant Moss Society and contributed to its herbarium frequently.

OFFERINGS.

(To Society Members only. For postage.)

- Mr. C. C. Plitt, 3933 Lowndes Ave., Baltimore, Md. *Thuidium microphyllum* (Swarts.) Best, c.fr. Collected in Maryland.
- Mr. Edward B. Chamberlain, 38 West 59 street, New York City. *Hypnum aduncum* Hedw. group *typicum* Ren., st. Collected in Vermont by Dr. Grout.
- Mr. E. J. Winslow, 523½ West 4th street, Elmira, New York. *Pogonatum capillare* Brid.; *Bryum roseum* Schreb. Both c.fr. Collected in Vermont.
- Mr. N. L. T. Nelson, 4509 Cote Brillante Ave., St. Louis, Mo. *Thuidium Philiberti* Limpr.; *Grimmia Olneyi* Sulliv. Both c.fr. *Dicranella debilis* L. & J.; *Bryum Muhlenbeckii* B. & S.; *B. pseudotriquetrum* Schwaegr. All collected in Missouri.
- Mrs. B. J. Handy, 139 Rock street, Fall River, Mass. *Brachythecium digastrum* C. M. & Kindb.; *Climacium dendroides* W. & M. Both c.fr. Collected in Fall River.
- Mr. W. W. Calkins, Berwyn, Cook Co., Illinois. *Bryum caespitium* L.; *Polytrichum commune* L.; *Sphagnum compactum* Brid. All from Cook Co.
- Miss Alice L. Crockett, Camden, Maine. *Ephebe pubescens* Fr. Collected in Camden.
- Mrs. Josephine D. Lowe, 1827 Eye street, N. W. Washington, D. C. *Cladonia multififormis* Merrill; *C. cristatella* Tuckerm.; *C. gracillis* (L.) Wild. var. *elongata* (Jacq.) Flk.; *Ptilidium pulcherrimum* (Ach.) Hampe; *Scapania nemorosa* (L.) Dumort.; *S. Bolanderi* Aust. All collected in Nova Scotia.

Dr. A. LeRoy Andrews, 508 University avenue, Ithaca, New York, contemplates treating the North American Species of Sphagnum and would be glad to determine specimens from any locality for members of the Sullivant Moss Society or subscribers of *THE BRYOLOGIST*.

Lichens Novae Angliae. An edition of fifty numbers (distributed in decades, postage extra) of New England Lichens is in preparation. The first decade will be ready for distribution in February, 1909. The specimens are to be of exceptional quality, and the data absolutely complete. Single numbers as issued 15c., by decade \$1.10, by set of fifty numbers complete \$5.00. Payment on delivery. Only twenty-five sets will be issued in the first edition. Libraries may have their sets mounted and bound at \$1.00 extra. Address subscriptions to Mr. R. HEBER HOWE, Jr.

Thoreau Museum of Natural History.

Concord, Mass.

An attempt has been made below to indicate as far as the record goes the interest of each member. We are very desirous of having this data complete and to that end ask each person on reading this note to take a post card and write on it the exact facts of past as well as present interest in the three subjects treated in *THE BRYOLOGIST* and forward the same to the Editor, AT ONCE.

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